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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

By this Amendment, the specification is amended. No new matter is added.

This Amendment is submitted to better conform the application to United States practice and specifically to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.1821-1.825.

The paper copy of the Sequence Listing in this Application Serial No. 10/645,913, submitted herein as Appendix for incorporation to the specification, is identical to the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing filed in Application Serial No. 09/261,104, filed on 03/03/1999. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e), please use the only computer readable form filed in that application as the computer readable form for the instant application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the instant application.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in good form for initial examination on the merits. Accordingly, prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for initial examination and allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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